

20 December 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR: DD/ICS

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SUBJECT: Transmittal and Distribution of the IC Project's
Computer Security Safeguards Report

1. The final version of the Computer Security Safeguards report is attached.
2. The purposes for the safeguards report as presented to the DCI and his Computer Security Steering Group were:
 - a. to provide a basis for safeguarding operational automated, electronic SCI-handling systems against known vulnerabilities;
 - b. to provide to the DCI a basis for setting priorities for mandatory and voluntary computer security standards;
 - c. to assist the DCI and NFIB members in setting program and budget priorities for reducing system vulnerabilities; and
 - d. to provide the basis for evaluating NFIB critical computer systems and recommending security upgrades.
3. The report satisfies its intended purposes and has already served in the completed evaluation of critical systems and in setting FY 1985 and FY 86 budget priorities.
4. I recommend the following actions in regard to this report:
 - a. a briefing to the DCI/DDCI sponsored by you and Admiral
 - b. distribution of the report by the DCI to NFIB members and observers with an appropriate covering letter;
 - c. discussion of the report with appropriate Congressional committees and staff; and

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d. distribution of the report to NSDD 145 established committees.

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5. [redacted] chaired the interagency group which developed the report and has personally handled all necessary staff actions required. His work has been of exceptional merit.

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